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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 2001-52179A dated February 23, 2001.

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The reference listed above was cited in an Office Action dated July 20, 2005, received from the Japanese Patent Office. Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference, together with an English translation of a portion of the Examiner's comments regarding all the references from the Official Action. Please note that the second reference cited in the above-cited Office Action, namely Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 2001-266133, was previously submitted in applicant's Information Disclosure Statement dated September 29, 2003. The relevance of the references is described in the Official Action.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a translation of portions of an official action by a foreign examiner in which the reference was cited. The relevance to the pending U.S. patent application is that the reference was cited in a foreign patent application on the same subject matter. However, no independent analysis of the reference, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner or the claims of the foreign application under the laws of that country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made; the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

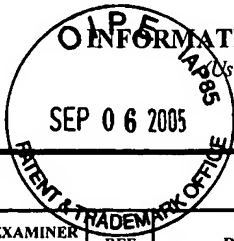
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